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COUNTRY: ARGENTINA

SUBJECT: DECISION OF SENIOR ~~ARGENTINE~~ ARGENTINE ARMY COMMANDERS TO CONTINUE
ANTI-SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES [REDACTED]

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SENIOR ARMY COMMANDERS DECIDED TO CONTINUE UNCHANGED THE
METHODOLOGY OF THE ANTI-SUBVERSIVE CAMPAIGN OF THE PAST TWO
YEARS. THEY CITED THE WORLD CUP SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES,
SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE IN JUNE AND JULY 1978 AS A REASON.

[REDACTED] MAJOR GENERAL ~~ROBERTO V I O L A~~ ROBERTO V I O L A, ARMY CHIEF
OF STAFF, TOLD THE OTHER COMMANDERS THAT ALTHOUGH THE MONTONEROS
HAVE BEEN CONSIDERABLY WEAKENED, THEY STILL HAVE THE CAPABILITY

TO CARRY OUT LIMITED TERRORIST ACTIVITIES BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE ARGENTINA. HE ALSO SAID THAT IN VIEW OF THEIR PRESENT MILITARY WEAKNESS, THE MONTONEROS HAVE INCREASED THEIR EFFORTS IN THE POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS AND LABOR SECTORS. IN VIOLA'S OPINION, THE LABOR SECTOR IS PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE TO PROPAGANDA BECAUSE THE PRESENT SOCIAL ECONOMIC CONDITIONS ARE UNFAVORABLE TO LABOR. MILITARY LEADERS EXPECT THE MONTONEROS TO CONCENTRATE THEIR EFFORTS IN THE FEDERAL CAPITAL AND GREATER BUENOS AIRES AREA.

3. [REDACTED] VIOLA INDICATED THAT THE FINANCIAL APPARATUS OF THE MONTONEROS HAD BEEN SEVERELY DAMAGED AND THAT THE MONTONEROS HAVE BEEN FORCED TO TURN TO FOREIGN SOURCES FOR FINANCIAL HELP. IN HIS OPINION THIS COULD LEAD TO A NEW WAVE OF KIDNAPPINGS AND EXTORTIONS. HE ALSO SAID THAT THE MONTONEROS HAVE RESUMED USE OF THEIR PREVIOUS TECHNIQUE OF ASSAULTING LONE POLICEMEN TO OBTAIN WEAPONS.

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5. [REDACTED] THE ARMY COMMANDERS DECIDED TO INCREASE THE CONTROLS ON FOREIGNERS ENTERING ARGENTINA. THEY ALSO DISCUSSED THE SHARP INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF ANONYMOUS THREATENING LETTERS SENT TO BUSINESSMEN DURING THE LAST TWO WEEKS OF MARCH 1978. IN THE LETTERS THE SUBVERSIVES CLAIMED CREDIT FOR A NUMBER OF BOMBS PLACED ON RAILROAD LINES AND THE 26 MARCH 1978 FIRE AT THE COLOR TELEVISION BROADCASTING FACILITY BEING BUILT FOR THE WORLD CUP SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES TO BE HELD IN JUNE AND JULY 1978. THE LETTERS INDICATED THAT THE SUBVERSIVES HAVE RENEWED THEIR OPERATIONS AGAINST WHAT THEY TERM THE MILITARY DICTATORSHIP AND THAT THE OPERATIONS WILL INCREASE AS THE WORLD CUP GAMES APPROACH.

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